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Sent: Tue 8/16/2022 3:53:41 PM (UTC)
Subject: RE: Summary of Region 6

Nothing to add to that. Thanks for checking.

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Anything to add?

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Brent,

See below and let me know if this is sufficient enough.

OCS Permit Status

- Permit was proposed on July22nd with a 60 day comment period. Comment period ends on September 20th. Current Permit expires on September 30th. Public hearing and meeting is scheduled for September 1st.
- If operators currently have coverage they will be administratively continued until the new permit is issued.
- We have communicated to permittees, the OOC and others that if the permit expires before reissuance, the permit will automatically go into administrative continuance for all permittees with existing coverage as provided by the administrative procedures act. In the event that there is a short lapse between the expiration of the current permit and the effective date of the reissuance, new dischargers that wish to have authorization under the current permit may apply for permit coverage prior to the expiration date of September 30th, 2022.
- The information above is posted on region 6's offshore website and was sent in a press release to the public, along with a notification that the permit was available for comment.
- We can add the information to public meeting/hearing presentation, do a press release to offshore stakeholders, and update the Region 6 website with more detailed information on getting coverage prior to permit expiration, if necessary.

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Nichole:

Please prepare by COB (or 10 am Wednesday at latest) some bullets on OCS status that answers the questions from Kevin Weiss:

Status of Permit: proposed, date of PN, date we will have the Hearing, date comment period ends, date old permit expires.

Status/Plans for comminating with permittees on what to do if permit is not reissued on time:

- if already covered, you are Admin Cont'd until new permit is issued
- if you will be starting in the timeframe shortly after the permit expires (e.g., perhaps 30-180 days after), you should consider submitting NOI and getting covered prior to September 30th so you can be Admin Cont'd under old permit and are authorized to discharge once you start discharging. You will need to transition into the new permit once finalized (will need to file No Discharge NOIs until you start discharging).

1. What have we told OOC
2. What have we told others
3. What has David told others
4. What can we do to alert offshore operators on what to do
5. Should we consider doing an e-mail blast?
6. Should we consider very clear notice on the PN Web page?
7. Should we consider adding to the Meeting presentation?

Sincerely,

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Maria,

Just talked with Chris Kloss – can you add a short discussion on the status of the general permit for oil and gas operations in the Gulf which includes a summary of the outreach to facilities that you have planned if the current permit is administratively continued before the new permit can be issued?

Thanks

Kevin

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Good morning Kevin,

Mark and his folks are verifying the information in the summary. Regarding Prairie Grove, we sent the General Objection letter on June 15, 2022, so the Special Objection would be due on September 13, 2022.

Maria

From: Weiss, Kevin <Weiss.Kevin@epa.gov>
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Mark/Maria,

Chris asked us to put together a short summary of the major Region 6 permit oversight activities. Can you take a look at the attachment and see if it is okay from your perspective?

Also, on the Prairie Grove permit, what is the date for filing a specific objection or has it passed?

Thanks!

Kevin

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